



PATENT  
B208-1122 (25787.191)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Masamine Maeda  
Serial No. : 09/777,048  
For : IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS CAPABLE OF MAKING AN  
EFFECTIVE DEPICTION BY REDUCING PIXEL SIGNALS  
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Examiner : Gevell V. Selby  
Art Unit : 2615

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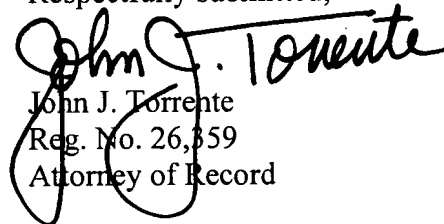
REQUEST FOR A TELEPHONE INTERVIEW

Applicant hereby requests that the Examiner permit applicant's undersigned attorney to conduct a telephone interview with the Examiner to discuss the Amendment being filed concurrently herewith in the event the Examiner is not disposed to allow the application. The Examiner is requested to telephone applicant's undersigned attorney at 212-790-9273 to arrange for such an interview.

Dated: May 9, 2006

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